

MEETING OF THE CITY OF ZILWAUKEE PLANNING COMMISSION

January 14, 2015

The secretary offered the invocation and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairperson K. Hyde.

Roll Call:

Present: Jason Boguslawski, Norm Burke, Betty Comstock, Dennis Duro, Ken Hyde, Rich Metiva and Steve Thayer.

Also Present: Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator John Stemple and Mayor Gene Jolin

The minutes of the November 12, 2014 meeting were considered. A motion was made by R. Metiva, supported by D. Duro, to approve the minutes as mailed. The motion carried, all voting aye.

Audience Participation:
None

Old Business:

S. Thayer questioned the situation regarding the parking area at the residence at 419 S. Franklin. Mayor Jolin stated the stone that had been illegally placed between the sidewalk and road on the Bush Street side of the home was removed and has been replaced with grass seed. The cost of this project will appear on the home property taxes.

D. Duro questioned if anything more has happened regarding the Aquatic Gardens store at 824 Tittabawassee. It was mentioned that nothing more has been discussed at this time.

S. Thayer questioned if the Hagerty Party Store parking lot on south Adams is now being used as a Used Car Lot. N. Burke mentioned the phone number displayed on the cars belongs to LaTarte Auto Sales. Mayor Jolin mentioned he and Adm. J. Zittel had discussed this earlier in the day and J. Stemple will be notified of the used cars and also the mess near the building of scrap metal.

N. Burke questioned the approval of the Capital Improvement Plans at the November meeting and if there was any further discussion. K. Hyde mentioned that some items on the 5 year plan had been shifted to different years by the Blue Ribbon Committee. Planning Commission had approved this change at the November meeting and then sent

it to Council for new approval. N. Burke stated further legislation needs to be done according to the Planning Enabling Act, once approval of Council is given. This should be sent to adjoining communities. He mentioned that those communities have not correctly followed this format therefore we can probably scrub it at this time.

New Business:

K. Hyde requested new member J. Boguslawski and other members read the Planning Enabling Act for discussion at the February meeting.

John Stemple Updates:

J. Stemple mentioned 2 properties have fallen under the dangerous building order and were slated for demolition. The owner of the house in the 500 block of Schust is cooperative with this and the structure may be used by the Fire Department for training. The housing code adopted by Council gives tools to help renters work with their landlords who are not cooperative regarding necessary repairs. The issue of medical marijuana has been discussed and at this time there are no dispensaries in the City. It is legal to grow certain amounts in a home of someone with a medical marijuana license but they must follow regulations.

Round Table Discussion:

The members felt this was a very good informational meeting. J. Boguslawski mentioned he is excited for the new year and what it will bring. K. Hyde stated the Commission has come a long way in working with Council and doing things in a timely manner.

A motion was made by N. Burke, supported by S. Thayer, to adjourn. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M. The next meeting will be held on February 11, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carole Inman, Recording Secretary